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I. Studies Completed

During the past six months three books were published by Brookings. These were:

Transport and the Economic Integration of South America, Robert T. Brown.

The Impact of Highway Investment on Development, George W. Wilson, and Barbara R. Bergmann, Leon V. Hirsch, and Martin S. Klein.

Government Controls on Transport: An African Case, Edwin T. Haefele and Eleanor B. Steinberg.

The Highway Research Board has now published Transportation and Economic Development (Highway Research Record #115), which consists of the following:

Immobility: Barrier to Development, Wilfred Owen
Case Studies of Effect of Roads on Development, George W. Wilson
Structure and Requirements of the Transport Network of Syria,
Nuhad J. Kanaan
Estimating Highway Benefits in Underdeveloped Countries,
Robert T. Brown and Clell G. Harral
Economic Analysis of Highway Design in Developing Countries,
Richard M. Soberman
The Passenger Car in the USSR, Holland Hunter

Publication in the Highway Research Board constitutes a most effective way of reaching the engineering profession in this country and abroad. These results of the Transport Research Program's studies are thus being circulated directly to many of the professional staffs of consulting firms in this country and of governmental agencies overseas.

In addition, the study "Preparation and Appraisal of Transport Projects," by Clell G. Harral, was rerun, as the first run of 400 copies had been distributed.

II. Work in Progress

Work continues on the following projects:

Financing Transport Investment, Alan R. Prest
 Principles of Transport Planning, John R. Meyer
 Transport Technologies, John R. Meyer and Paul O. Roberts, Jr.
 Soviet Transport Experience, Holland Hunter
 French Railway Pricing, James R. Nelson
 Transport and Indian Economic Development, Wilfred Owen
 Migration and Regional Development in Ghana, Ralph Beals,
 Mildred Levy, Carmen Menezes, and Leon Moses

Transport and Planning, edited by Edwin T. Haefele, a volume of essays including:

Transport and Energy, Edward S. Mason
 Transport and Food, Wilfred Owen
 Transport or Communications, Paul S. Shapiro
 Transport and Social Objectives, William B. Hughes
 Transport Planning and Public Policy, Edwin T. Haefele
 Transport and Urbanization, Benjamin Chinitz

Transport Administration in Underdeveloped Countries, John Lindeman.
 The Economics of the International Airline Industry, Mahlon Straszheim.

III. Staff Activities

Wilfred Owen, director of the Transport Research Program, was a member of the World Bank economic mission to India in March 1966. His book, Strategy for Mobility, has been reprinted by the East-West Center in Hawaii for distribution in Asia. Mr. Owen presented papers at the National Transportation Symposium in San Francisco and at the Highway Research Board Annual Meetings in Washington. He also served on the Resources for the Future Committee for the United Nations on Regional Development. A revised edition of The Metropolitan Transportation Problem, published in May by Brookings (paperback by Doubleday Anchor Books), contains a final section on Lessons for Developing Countries. The book is a selection of the Urban Affairs Book Club.

Edwin T. Haefele presented papers at the Institute of Management Sciences College on Logistics conference in Washington and at the Transportation Research Forum in New York.

John R. Meyer and Paul O. Roberts gave a report on their economic and transport technology model to an AID group on June 6.

Holland Hunter prepared a paper on the Soviet Transport Sector for the Joint Economic Committee of the U.S. Congress in May. The paper will be included in a Committee volume of studies covering the Soviet economy.

Staff advice was given to AID on projects in Sierra Leone, Gabon, Zambia, Sudan, Brazil, and India. In addition, further discussions were held with the United Nations Secretariat in New York regarding the strengthening of U.N. transport activities.